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## AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 1, 2006, please amend this application and consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to Drawings** being on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** beginning on page 8 of this paper.